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In re Patent Application of:
Ralph et al.

Application No.: 10/725,297

Filed: December 1, 2003

Art Unit: 3738

For: INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE
HAVING A SLOTTED DOMED ARCH
STRIP SPRING

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NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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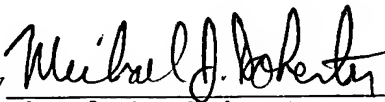
Dear Sir:

Assignee, SpineCore, Inc., hereby notifies the Patent and Trademark Office that it is not entitled to status as a small entity, and that the claim for small entity status filed by the Applicant is hereby withdrawn.

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Respectfully submitted,

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